Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, National security, national defense, and individual liberties are paramount to the citizens of this great state of South Dakota; and,

Whereas, The selfless sacrifices, superb leadership, and total dedication of Lieutenant Colonel Sandra M. Smith ensured the nation's strategic land-based missiles, military space systems, and critical aircraft systems were reliable and credible due to her efforts in logistics support. Her career can be best summed up by the title of "true" logistics warrior; and,

Whereas, Lieutenant Colonel Smith is the only field grade officer in the United States Air Force today that is fully qualified in four separate logistics career fields—maintenance, transportation, logistics plans, and supply; and,

Whereas, Lieutenant Colonel Smith's outstanding efforts in support of United States Air Force weapon systems like the FB-111s, B-52s, B-2s, KC-135s, KC10s, UH-Ins, Minutemen IIIs, and Peacekeeper missiles were critical in their daily operations and effectiveness; and,

Whereas, Let it be known that on the occasion of her retirement from the United States Air Force, it is a pleasure to honor Lieutenant Colonel Sandra Smith's military accomplishments and community contributions throughout a career that has spanned 20 years of faithful and dedicated service to her country. She also faithfully balanced her career with other personal priorities such as family, friends, church, and God.

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to recognize the many accomplishments and years of service of this lieutenant colonel:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 17, 2003, as

Lieutenant Colonel Sandra M. Smith Day

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State